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David Penney Box 312 Beaver, Utah 84713

Re: <u>Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, David Penney, White Tiger Project, S/027/093, Millard County, Utah</u>

Dear Mr. Penney:

In January, 20001, we received your permit application for your White Tiger small mining project located in portions of Sections 2, 3, 10 and 11, T25S, R15W, Millard County, Utah. At that time, we did not receive your permit application fee nor a location map of the area. On March 7th we received your permit application fee; and on July 13th we received a copy of a location map from the Bureau of Land Management, Fillmore Field Office. *The White Tiger application is now considered complete*. No additional information is required by the Division at this time. *You may commence operations as outlined in your notice, provided you have obtained written approval from the BLM to proceed on federal managed lands*.

Prior to commencing operations, please mark the boundary of your permit area on the ground with metal t-posts or some other marker of equal effectiveness. The markers should be placed so they can be clearly seen with the naked eye in either direction. If you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify our office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining notice could take from six to twelve months or longer.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices. Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

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Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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